Announcements

***Finance Committee*** will meet on the 9th of January at 6:00 pm in the Alice Lee Room.

***Staff Parish Relations Committee*** will meet on the 10th of January at 6:00 pm in the Alice Lee Room.

***Administrative Council*** will meet on the 24th of January at 6:00 pm in Norman Barnett Hall.

***Church after Church*** will resume next Sunday, January 8th.

***January Upper Room*** is available in the Narthex, the hall leading to second floor Sunday School Rooms and on the table by the Elevator.

***Prayer Request Cards*** may be found in the pews as well as in the Narthex and on the table by the Elevator. To have someone placed on the prayer list, please fill out the card and place in the offering plate. Cards may be used to let the staff know about upcoming procedures. You may also call the church office or send an email to the church.

**New Opportunity for Preschoolers**

There’s a new opportunity for our preschoolers to grow in faith!!

The 3, 4, and 5 year olds will be invited to leave after the Children’s Sermon

each Sunday for a special worship time.

We will need volunteers each week, starting this month.

Please let Melody Bradley or Pam Barnhardt know

if you want to be a part of this great new Ministry

The Pastors and Staff of Monroeville FUMC

wish to express their heartfelt thanks

to all who have remembered us during the Christmas Season. **Happy New Year !!**

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First United Methodist Church

324 Pineville Road

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January 1, 2023

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**Church Staff**

Senior Pastor: Rev. John Woodrow

Minister of Education: Rev. Pam Barnhardt

Director of Music Ministries/Organist: Nancy Carleton

Church Business Administrator: Caroline Hardin

Nursery Director: Christi Dunn

Nursery Attendants: Letitia Gibbs & Rosie Parker

**Morning Worship**

January 1, 2023 ‡ 10:05

**Epiphany Sunday**

**ENTRANCE**

Gathering Prelude Nancy Carleton  *Welcome and Opportunities* Rev. Pam Barnhardt

† Hymn 224  *Good Christian Friends , Rejoice* Congregation

Invocation Pam Barnhardt

† A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada Congregation

We are not alone, we live in God’s world.

We believe in God:

who has created and is creating,

who has come in Jesus, the word made flesh, to reconcile and make new,

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the church:

to celebrate God’s presence,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in the life beyond death, God is with us.

We are not alone.

Thanks be to God. Amen

† The Gloria Patri Congregation

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen

**PROCLAMATION and RESPONSE**

Celebrations and Concerns Rev. John Woodrow

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Woodrow

The Lord’s Prayer Hymnal, 895

† Hymn 277 *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus* Congregation

*(Let the children come forward during the last verse)*

Children’s Moment Rev. Barnhardt

Scripture  *Matthew 2:1-12 (NIV)* Rev. Woodrow

Sermon *“Everybody is a Star”* Rev. Woodrow

**SENDING FORTH**

† Hymn 254  *We Three Kings* Congregation

† Benediction Rev. Woodrow

† Three-fold Amen Congregation

Going Forth *Postlude* Nancy Carleton

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† *Standing as able*

*Please silence or turn off your cell phones.*

**Attendance registration August 13, 2017**

Check one: 9:00\_\_\_\_\_11:00\_\_\_\_\_

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* Member(s)
* First time visitor
* Visitor
* Wish to join church
* Desire pastoral visit

Will you share your birthday below for our newsletter birthday list?

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*The Altar Flowers today are given to the greater glory of God*

*and*

*by Cecelia Ingram/Pam Barnhardt.*